

USDA Foods and Consortia Facts

There are three consortia in the State of Michigan that will participate in the direct diversion of United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Foods for School Year 2016-2017. Each consortium procures the distribution, warehousing, and processing of USDA Foods for all school districts in its consortium. Schools that join a consortium will preorder USDA Foods beginning as early as November 2015 for delivery during the 2016-2017 School Year. Membership in a consortium is a commitment for a period of one year. Questions regarding the consortia should be directed to the contacts listed below:

The Consortia are as follows:

Great Lakes Consortium (GLC)

Nancy LaFave – 906-789-5597 or nlafave@eskymos.com

Contact: Sherry Anderson at HPS - 800-632-4572 or glc_administrator@hpsnet.com

Distributor: Gordon Food Service (GFS)

Membership available to all schools in Michigan participating in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP).

School Purchasing and Resource Consortium (SPARC)

Contact: Terri Sincock – 248-310-3988 or tsincock@manistee.org

Contact: Kathy Gutowski - 231-398-3695 or kgutowski@manistee.org

Distributor: SYSCO Foodservice

Membership available to all schools in Michigan participating in the NSLP.

Macomb Oakland RESA (MOR)

Contact: Chuck Wolford – 734-334-1511 or WolforC@resa.net

Contact: Lori Adkins – 248-209-2102 or Lori.Adkins@oakland.k12.mi.us

Distributor: VanEerden

Membership available to all schools in Michigan participating in the NSLP.

Each year, all schools applying to participate in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) will indicate within the Michigan Electronic Grant System Plus (MEGS +) whether they want to receive USDA Foods. As a school is completing their School Nutrition Program (SNP) application for the current school year (2015-2016), they will also choose a consortium for the upcoming school year (2016-2017).

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